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## **Commissioner of Patents**

The communication filed 19 February 2004 is not fully responsive to the restriction election mailed 17 December 2003 because the election of species is incomplete. The species election requirement appears to have been misapprehended. Applicants "elected" species 1. Each of the groupings 1-7 was a separate species election. The restriction identified these as separate genera, set forth the nature of the genera, and identified to which Groups each of these species corresponded. A complete election requires that a single species is elected from each of the genera that belongs to elected Group I. As indicated in the Office action of 17 December 2003, the species election should include a single species from each of genera 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Since the reply appears to be <u>bona fide</u> attempt to comply with the election requirements, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE** (1) **MONTH** from the mailing date of this communication within which to correct the deficiency so as to comply with the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) in order to avoid abandonment of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A response to applicants' remarks will be provided when the election is complete.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Jon P. Weber, Ph.D., Art Unit 1651, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0925.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-0926.

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